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Re: U.S. Serial No. 09/914,464, filed April 4, 2002  
Entitled "PRIMARY NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE OF THE SHRIMP<sup>+</sup> WHITE  
SPOT BACILLIFORM VIRUS (WSBV), DISCOVERY SYSTEMS  
CONTAINING THIS SEQUENCE AND DETECTION KITS AND ANTIVIRAL  
TARGETS FOR DETECTION AND CONTROLLING SHRIMP VIRUS  
OUTBREAK AND SPREAD"  
Atty. Docket No.: CL000895USNAT

A Preliminary Amendment (Restriction Election) and a petition for a two-month  
extension of time in the above-identified application follows.

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